HOUSE BILL 374

By Coley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, relative to discipline in schools.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 41, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately numbered section:

§ 49-6-41__. When a member of a school's faculty or staff disciplines a student by issuing a written referral for the student's behavior, such referral shall be returned to the member of the faculty or staff with a notation of the action taken. The written referral shall be kept as a permanent record.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.